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Applicant: Kwan, et al.

Case: 4209

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Group Art Unit: 1746

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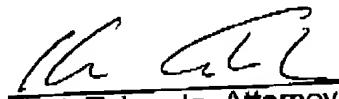
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Respectfully submitted,

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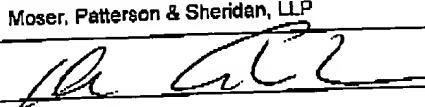
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